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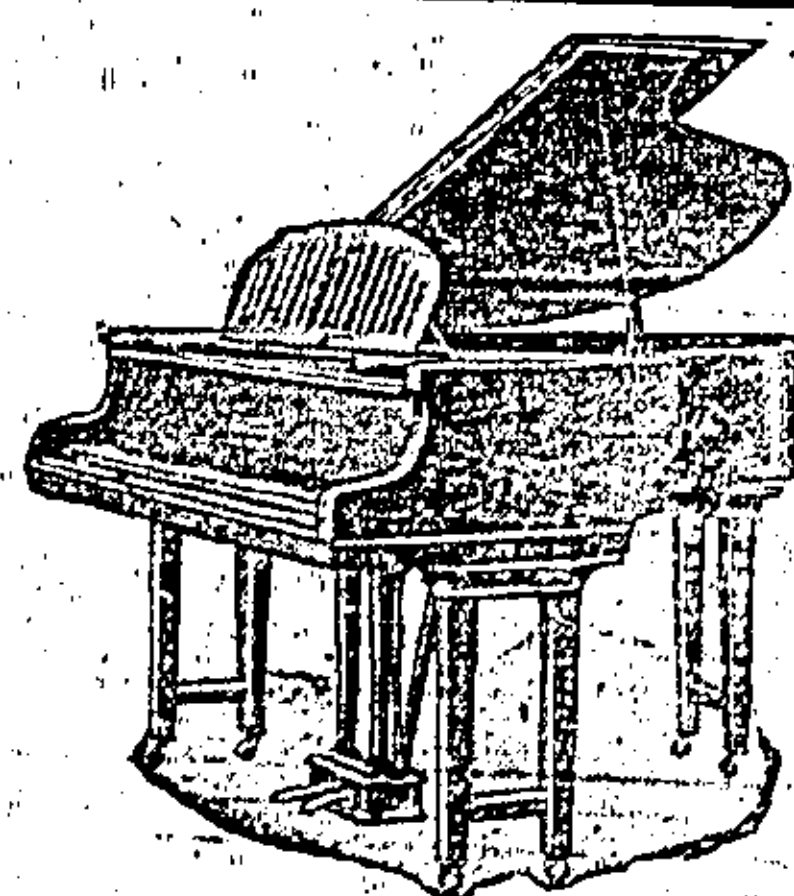
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AUSTRIA.

LONDON, Feb. 18.

Paris learns from Vienna that the results of the elections, besides showing a Socialist success, constitute a victory for the advocates of union with Germany.

GERMANY AND FRANCE.

LONDON, Feb. 18.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" says that Rantau told the Cabinet he wanted to resign because it was impossible to continue his foreign policy while France was notoriously aiming at a resumption of hostilities. However, Rantau is remaining in office in deference to the wishes of the Cabinet.

POLES AND UKRAINIANS.

LONDON, Feb. 16.

Warsaw reported yesterday that the inter-Ally commission is sending an Allied delegation to Lemberg to endeavour to arrange an armistice between the Poles and Ukrainians. The Poles with only 3,000 regular troops and a few guns are defending Lemberg most valiantly against the Ukrainians, who are well equipped with Austrian artillery. Polish women and children are participating in the fighting. Many Polish soldiers have no greatcoats, and there are 42 degrees of frost.

"THE HONOUR OF GERMANY."

LONDON, Feb. 17.

In the German National Assembly, according to a message received at Bale, the Independent Socialist Herr Haase urged compromise with the Poles. Herr Noske, the Minister for National Defence, declared that the honour of Germany must be defended at all costs against Polish imperialism. There were large quantities of foodstuffs at Fosen which the big landowners of Poland had furnished to Germany. It was difficult to foresee how Germany could pass through her present difficulties unless these supplies could be obtained. Herr Noske affirmed that the soldiers' councils were endeavouring to prevent volunteers going to fight the Poles.

There was applause at this from the Independent Socialists, whom Herr Noske indignantly rebuked.

BOLSHEVIKS LOSING

LONDON, Feb. 18.

Odessa reports that General Denikin's forces have reached the Caspian, having advanced 350 versts in twelve days, taken 31,000 prisoners, 95 cannon, eight armoured trains, and a huge quantity of other material. The official despatch states that the wagonloads of booty cover thirty versts of the railway line. The Red Army, numbering close on 100,000, was smashed. The victory enables general Denikin to turn his attention to the Don front, where the position has been precarious.

Gen. Berthelot, commanding the French forces in the near east, has arrived at Odessa from Constanza.

SERB AND SLOVENE CLAIMS.

LONDON, Feb. 18.

A communique from Paris says representatives explained the territorial claims of the Serbs, Slovenes and Croats respectively. It was decided to limit the question of frontiers claimed, with the exception of those in which Italy is directly interested, to a commission.

ALLIES IN NORTHERN RUSSIA.

LONDON, Feb. 18.

President Wilson has notified the U.S. Minister for "War" that the Supreme War Council is directing its steps to improve the Allied military situation in northern Russia.

FRANCE'S FINANCE.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

The Finance Minister, M. Klotz, making a statement in the Chamber to the Budget Committee, said France's civil and military expenditure in 1918 totalled 50,000,000,000 francs, but the public wealth was considerably increased. Exchange had improved, and the discount rate was lowered. The Government's financial policy included, firstly, to demand from the enemy the payment of the whole of this debt, with guarantees; secondly, a tax on capital. The establishment of a financial section of the League of Nations was being considered.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONALISTS.

LONDON, Feb. 18.

Capetown reports on Feb. 17 that the Admiral offered the Nationalists a passage in a warship.

[This refers to the delegates of the Nationalist party led by Gen. Hertzog, who wished to go to Paris, but who were left behind when the crew of the steamer refused to sail with them.]

MAY NOW TRADE WITH LEVANT.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The Press Bureau announces that the Board of Trade authorities, under certain existing restrictions, the resumption of trade with Turkey, including Turkey in Europe, Asia Minor, Armenia, Kurdistan, Mesopotamia, Syria, and Bulgaria. Trade with the Russian Black Sea ports may also be resumed.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The Press Bureau adds, in connection with the resumption of Black Sea trade, that the Department of Overseas Trade offers facilities to British traders to send representatives to southern Russia in the hope of fostering trade.

Several British steamship lines are already arranging for the resumption of their services.

LABOUR.

CONFERENCE STARTING.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The formation of a National Peace Conference is officially confirmed. It will probably meet before the end of the month to deal with disputes as to wages, hours, and conditions of employment. Profiteering will also be discussed. The sittings are to be held in public. The announcement is hailed with general satisfaction, even in extremist circles.

BERNE CONFERENCE.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

Interviewed by Reuter on his return from Berne Conference Mr. A. Henderson said the delegates required the German Majority Socialists clearly to acknowledge that they had acted wrongly in supporting the Government.

The conference decisively confirmed the view of the great bulk of Allied workers that a German victory would have meant the defeat of liberty and democracy in Europe.

THE INTERNATIONAL SCHEME.

LONDON, Feb. 18.

A communique from Paris says the International Labour Legislation Commission yesterday agreed that each state be represented at an annual labour conference by two delegates for the government and one each for the employers and work-people, each delegate having one vote.

ITALY'S CLAIMS.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The Yugo-Slav representatives have informed M. Clemenceau that they are willing to submit their differences with Italy to the arbitration of President Wilson.

THE SHOOTING OF CLEMENCEAU.

PARIS, Dec. 18th.

Paris reports that M. Clemenceau was shot at five times on entering his automobile, and that he was wounded in the head.

LATER.

He was shot in the shoulder and back, but not in the head. His condition, seemingly, is not dangerous.

MESSAGE FROM THE KING.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

The King has telegraphed to M. Clemenceau as follows: "I am shocked to hear of the dastardly attack upon you this morning, earnestly trust your injuries are not serious, and that thanks to your splendid energy and courage you will soon be restored to health to continue your great and valued efforts for France and the Allies."

SMUGGLING REVOLVER CARTRIDGES.

A novel and ingenious mode of concealing ammunition was revealed when a Chinese from Australia was arrested on the Fraya yesterday. In a wooden case, secreted in holes drilled inside the sides, 131 rounds of revolver ammunition were brought to light. The holes were drilled parallel to the surface of the wood, and were not detected until the case was broken up. A \$100 fine was meted out to this clever smuggler by Mr. B. E. Lindsay this morning.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOLLAND AND BELGIUM.

THE HAGUE, February 18th. The Foreign Minister, replying to a question in Parliament regarding the Belgian demands on the left bank of the Scheldt, said that the Dutch Minister in Paris had been instructed to inform the Peace Conference that questions affecting Holland should not be discussed without Holland's case being heard. Any demand for a cession of any part of Dutch territory will be met with a decisive refusal.

THE LATE SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

LONDON, February 18th.

All the papers pay a tribute to the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier's services to the Empire. Ottawa, February 18th. Sir Wilfrid Laurier passed away quietly. His wife was by his bedside. There are many signs of mourning amongst all parties. A state funeral has been arranged.

CENSORSHIP CLUNG TO.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Government decided that it was impossible at present to end the censorship.

Mr. Kiley drew attention to the fact that cables to America were not censored while those to Australia were censored. Mr. Bonar Law replied that he was not aware of that but the matter had been carefully considered with a view to making relaxation complete and compatible with the public interest.

CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS.

Mr. Bonar Law stated that Government was considering the question of the liberation of conscientious objectors but was not prepared to give preference to this class before the general demobilisation of the army. (Loud cheers.)

SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONALISTS.

CAPETOWN, February 17th.

The Nationalist Republican Deputation are endeavouring to secure passages for Europe by a non-British ship at the earliest possible date.

ALIENS TO BE KEPT OUT.

LONDON, February 18th.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Shortt, Home Secretary, stated that the Bill dealing with the deportation and exclusion of undesirable aliens would be introduced shortly. If it was true that over 20,000 enemy and other aliens were at present at Rotterdam with the object of returning to England as soon as peace was signed his present adequate powers for excluding aliens would be used.

AERIAL NAVIGATION BILL.

LONDON, February 18th.

In the House of Commons, Major-General Seely, moving the second reading of the Aerial Navigation Bill, explained that its object was to restore civilian flying rights under regulations solely designed to protect the general public. He said the Associated Powers had made considerable progress respecting the question of the regulation of aerial navigation concerning which a Conference would be held at Paris shortly.

ITALY'S CLAIMS.

PARIS, December 18th.

Telegrams from Rome state that Italy declined to accept the Yugo-Slav scheme of arbitration on February 17th.

A COMMONSENSE BILL.

LONDON, February 18th.

In the House of Commons, a Bill abolishing the necessity for the reelection of Ministers after appointment to office was read a second time.

LATER. During the Committee stage the Government accepted an amendment in the re-election of Ministers Bill limiting freedom from re-election to a period of nine months after a General Election.

SUGAR.

LONDON, February 17th.

The Food Controller has revoked the order prohibiting dealings in sugar outside the United Kingdom except under a permit.

RUSSIAN SITUATION.

PARIS, February 17th.

The Supreme War Council, to-day, longly considered the Russian situation. Responsible British circles think that the Associated Powers will probably decide to renew the invitation to the various Russian Governments to meet them. Moreover, the invitation will stipulate a short time limit and insist upon their compliance with the spirit of the Prinkipo proposal.

Brockton, February 18th. A message from Helsingfors states that differences have arisen between the Soviet Government in Moscow, headed by M. Lenin, which is willing to come to terms with the Allies, owing to the hopeless economic situation, and the Soviet at Petrograd, headed by M. Trotsky and M. Zinovieff, which energetically protests, stating that the Bolshevik occupation of the Ukraine offers a possibility of procuring bread and fuel.

BOLSHIEVKS SUSTAIN SEVERE DEFEATS. Reports from Kiev state that the Ukrainians severely defeated the Bolsheviks twenty kilometres from Kiev, and elsewhere in the Ukraine.

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Auctioneer.
Hongkong, Feb. 20, 1919.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by Public Auction at 3 o'clock P.M. on **MONDAY the 3rd March 1919** at his sales rooms Duddell Street Hongkong.

All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Section B of Marine Lot No. 139 together with all messuages erections and buildings thereon now known as No. 258 Des Voeux Road West.

The lot is held for the unexpired residue of a term of 999 years created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease of Marine Lot 139.

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Mr. S. W. TSO,
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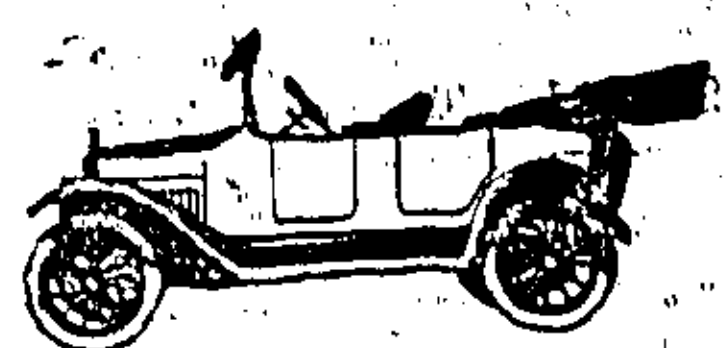
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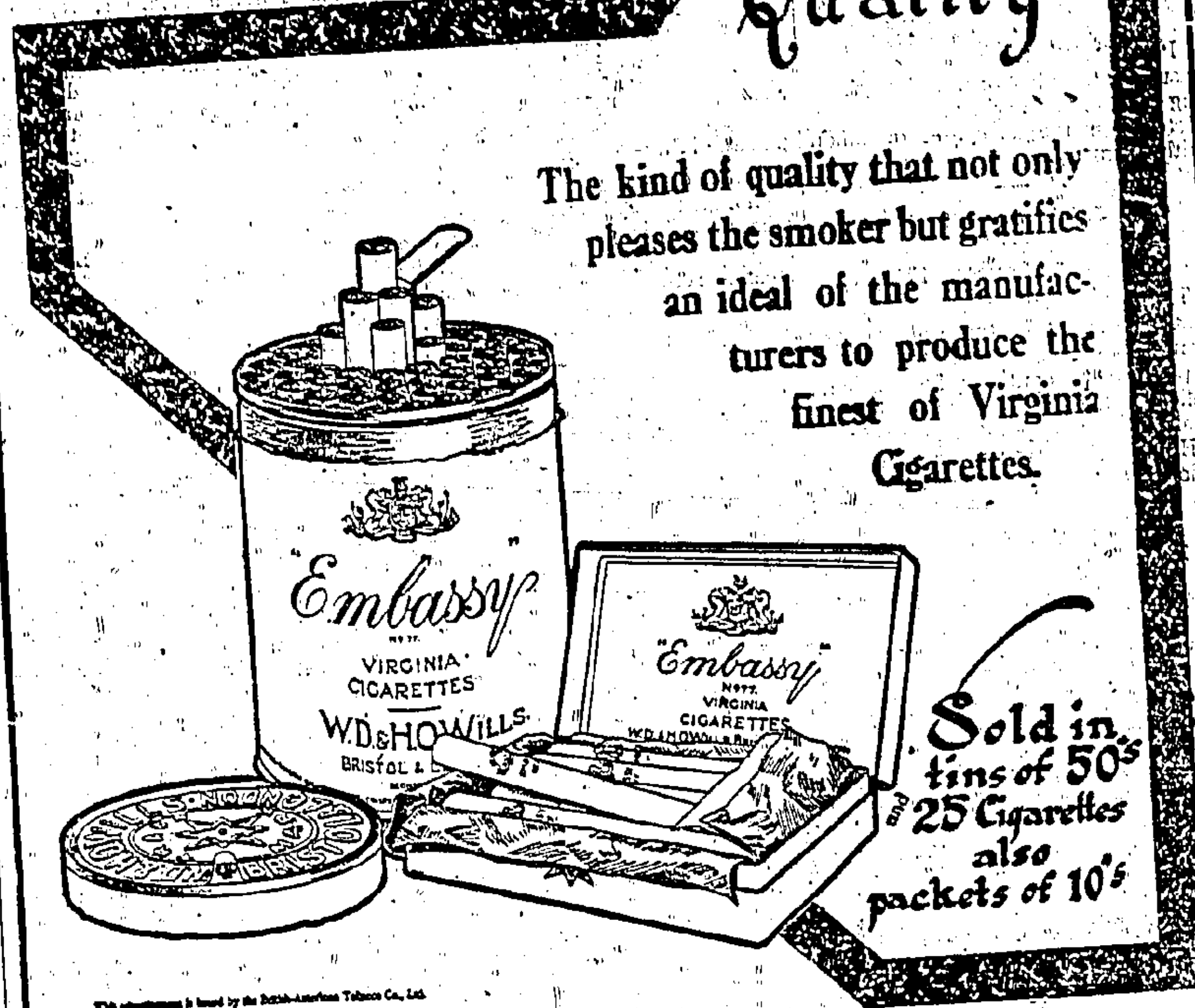
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HIGHER POLICE PAY.

It is understood, says a Delhi mes-
sage, that the Government of India
has addressed the Secretary of State
on the general question of the im-
provement of pay of the Imperial
Police.

RETURNED COOLIES.

In view of the large numbers of
Chinese labourers returning from
Europe the Chinese Government has
formulated the following plans for
their disposal, namely, (1) To de-
velop the various industrial enterprises
that have not yet been taken up with
capital to be subscribed by these
labourers; (2) To give encouragement
to those who have returned labourers
to take up some of the constructional
works; and (4) To give proper pro-
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abroad.

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George Meredith, Prince Yamagata
and Admiral Togo, upon whom the
decoration was bestowed at the end
of the Russo-Japanese War.

NURSES' PAY.

It has been decided, as a tempo-
rary measure for the period of the
war and six months thereafter, that
the present rates of pay of members
of the Queen Alexandra's Military
Nursing Service for India shall, with
effect from the 1st December, 1918,
be revised as below:—Chief Lady
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Rs. 340; Senior Nursing Sister, on
promotion to that grade, Rs. 325;
Nursing Sister after 11 years in the
service, Rs. 300; Nursing Sister, after
five years in the service, Rs. 275;
Nursing Sister on appointment, Rs.
250. Sanctions are also accorded, for
the period of the war and six months
thereafter, to the increase from Rs.
60 to Rs. 120 of the annual uniform
allowance admissible to the members
of the service.

**CHINESE LUMBER COMPANY
FAILS.**

Due to over speculation and buy-
ing large quantities of Lumber at
prices which have now dropped, the
Chan Chong Lumber Company, one
of the largest Shanghai firms, has
succumbed in the local timber mar-
ket and various creditors will soon
apply for an order for formal liq-
uidation.

The liabilities of the company are
figured in an exhibition of the
said, to be Rs. 100,000. The pre-
mises, which are situated at North
Soochow Road, near Marlborough
Road, are now in the hands of creditors.

DEAD MEN'S 50-MILE FLIGHT.

An aeroplane with a strange his-
tory figured in an exhibition of the
Australian war trophies opened by
Mr. Hughes at Australia House,
Strand, on Dec. 2.

This is a German Albatross scout,
and it was brought down by an Aus-
tralian pilot and his observer, who
were immediately afterwards shot
dead. Their own machine, however,
continued flying uncontrolled for
some hours till the petrol ran out,
when it glided down, landing with
very little damage fifty miles from
the scene of the fight.

THE ALLOTTED SPAN.

Possession of a peerage does not,
perhaps, do much to foster longevity
—many centenarians end their days
in the workhouse—but the House
of Lords certainly contributes its quota
to those who live beyond the allotted
span.

The Duke of Grafton's extension of
life to 97 years is exceptional, but
many peers of recent years have at-
tained more than four score and ten.
The Earl of Wemyss was 95 when he
died in 1914. Lord Strathcona was
98, and Lord Halsbury, now in his
ninety-fourth year, has apparently
discovered the secret of perpetual
youth.

THE WORD "RELIABLE."

Such a master of good English is
he it is said to find Mr. Asquith using
the odious word "reliable." Its
popularity in its country of origin,
the United States, does not justify
its use here. Its termination ought
only to be used with words derived
from the Latin, and it is very doubt-
ful whether "rely" satisfies this
condition, and as the word must be
followed by "on" the correct com-
bination would be "relied-onable,"
and nobody would dare to use that.
Above all, there is always ready for
use the good old English synonym
"trustworthy," as expressive as it
is correct.

BURMA PONIES.

The Burma Government, in the
course of a resolution, outlines a pro-
posal for the control of horse and
pony racing.

ALIENS IN LONDON.

As the result of a house-to-house
census in the borough of Stepney
it has been discovered that there are
about 40,000 persons, who, by reason
of being aliens, are not entitled to
be placed on the Parliamentary
register.

GERMAN MINES.

News is to hand from Colombo
that a fleet of mine-sweepers which
has been engaged in keeping clear
the Ceylon waters have swept up a
minefield off Cape Comorin. The
location of the minefield was com-
municated by the Germans in com-
pliance with the armistice treaty.

SUGGESTIONS NEEDED.

A notification in the "Burma
Gazette" states that it is open to all
officers in Government service if
they so desire to forward any sug-
gestion they may wish to make on
the schemes of constitutional reform
for Burma. What about extending
the same to the local civil servants?

"MISSING."

The naval authorities in Colombo
state that the Government-chartered
vessel "Kum Chaw," which was on
its way from Rangoon with cargoes
for Ceylon and Burma, must be re-
garded as lost, there being no trace
of her since she started on her jour-
ney in the beginning of December.
A British sloop and other vessels
have searched the Bay, but have not
discovered any sign of the "Kum
Chaw," nor come across any wreck-
age.

A LONELY MAN.

The distinction of being the lone-
liest Britisher in the world to-day is
claimed by Mr. E. Davies. He lives
on an island belonging to the Pau-
motou Archipelago—a French posses-
sion—just north of the Tropic of
Capricorn, in mid-Pacific Ocean,
many thousands of miles from the
Australian continent. There are
only three other white men on the
island, which is forty miles long and
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are Frenchmen. But there is just
one man in the world who probably
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DEATH.

WALTERS.—At the French Convent Hospital, Hongkong, on the 20th inst., Kathleen Ellen Walters nee Lysaught. Age 38. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEB. 21, 1919.

CALIGULA.

The verdict of history cannot always be right in the case of individuals. How could it? It has to depend upon the passionate verdicts of the time. That stupid convention which makes it bad form to speak ill of the dead probably originated in primitive man's fear of the spirit of the departed. It would be better to stop speaking ill of the living, and to let the dead lump it. How far this convention affects historical opinion of individuals is not clear. There are many it has not saved. A recent cinema play in Hongkong has been rubbing it in to poor old Gaius Caesar, who may not have been quite so utter a wretch as he is painted. He is best known by his nickname of Caligula, which he got by clumping about in infantry boots in his father's camp on the Rhine. Brought up in a camp, among soldiers, accompanying their expeditions, once into Syria, no one could reasonably expect Caligula to be a Sunday School teacher. When we remember that all his relatives were murdered, and that he had to save his own skin by flattery, Tiberius, we should be prepared to allow for some slight twist of character. That he afterwards ascended the throne amidst the rejoicings of the people is nothing. Not enough, that is to say, to make a grateful and a good man of him. Because he must have known that it wasn't a particularly healthy thing to do. Taking them by and large, the Caesars of those times didn't last so long as the rulers of the people were certainly no more of a guarantee of security than

they are to-day. Then he had a severe illness. History, unaided by medical science, is again handicapped. Caligula recovered, but how do we know that he was responsible for his subsequent actions? Some obscure organic defect is often all the difference between what we call a good man and a bad man. One historian says he was extravagant, cruel, and prodigal. How does he know? He wasn't there. Even so, these were hardly vices in a Roman emperor. Extravagance he could afford, cruelty was natural to the times, and prodigality was expected of him. That he repaid his treasury by killing his wealthier subjects is not really so heinous as it sounds. Our friend Mr. McGuigan might say (and we feel sure he will) forgive us if we have misread his standpoint that it is much worse to go on killing the poorer subjects for gain, which is a process still going on in a country we know of. If Mr. McGuigan will not commit himself so far, we will. We do. Caligula was an amateur compared to Calpurnius. Another indictment is that he bestowed the priesthood upon his horse Incitatus. This is stupid. If Incitatus was a good horse, we see no harm in it. We have known more than one priest who was a bit of an ass. It shows that Caligula had a sense of humour, and no man with that is wholly bad. As for the poor, dear Christian girl at the Picture Palace, that is not history: it is merely the cinema man's notion of painting the lily of vice. The stomach is lord and master of the world, and Lust is, so to speak, the Crown-Prince. So it was in Caligula's day, and so it is still. So, probably, it will ever be. The difference between Caligula and the modern bad man is due to the change in public ideas of right and wrong. The Roman Emperor could do openly what his modern equal must do secretly. That which is hidden is quite all right, and there is nothing more respectable than hypocrisy. In the year 80 Caligula set out to raid and loot the Germans, the people who have no sense of humour. This, we presume, should be accounted unto him for righteousness. Perhaps the one thing Caligula is best known by is his famous remark that he wished the whole Roman people had only one head, that he might cut it off at a single stroke. This has been repeated over and over as a proof of malignity. It really is in his favour. It is the remark of a philosopher and a humorist. Mark Twain has practically said it of the whole human race. We in turn would rather like to see the British people with but one head—not that we might cut it off—but so that it would be easier to get something into it. There is nothing more exasperating than a people which is apathetic and obtuse to ideas.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar demand rate remains unchanged at 3.11-16.

Canton merchants have formed a militia body, and elected Mr. Kan King-lun as commander.

The Canton police now forbid men and women to sit together at theatrical performances.

In another column to-day is an advertisement for a lost terrier, which, appropriately enough was last seen in Barker Road.

The third of Wiseman's dinner dances since the introduction of their enlarged dancing pavilion will be held to-night.

Local steamship offices are finding it impossible to accommodate the large number of people wishing to go to America.

One case of diphtheria and three of small-pox are on to-day's return of communicable disease. The small-pox patients are from the Philippines.

Shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are here reminded that their meetings takes place at the City Hall at noon to-morrow.

The Postmaster General might note that the sale of War Bond Tickets is closed. We notice that letters are still "chopped" with the exhortation to buy them.

Capt. E. B. Green and Mr. J. Gibson will play an exhibition game of billiards (500 up) at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, to-morrow night commencing at 8.30 sharp.

Where they used to get 15 cabbies of rice for a dollar, Chinese housekeepers now get only nine. The price has just gone up again, at Canton, about 40 or 50 cents a picul.

America's participation in the war, from April, 1917, until the armistice, cost the American people approximately \$22,589,985,000, over \$10,000,000,000 of which was spent in the last six months of the war.

Canton shipments on Feb. 18 were 150 packages of cassia for Port Said, two of old embroideries, 315 packages of tobacco leaves, mostly for London, 25 of cowhides, 300 of matted, and 725 of palmleaf fans for New York.

The Constitutional General at Chekiang sent a gunboat to Canton on business. At Boca Tigris it was, goodness knows how, arrested by the troops there. Now the General is writing to his subordinate to let her go. This seems illustrative.

A Chinese employed in the kitchen of the Astor House Hotel was caught by the hotel watchman stealing a basket of meat. Madame Flint the hotel proprietress appeared in Court to give evidence, and the thief was sent to jail for four weeks.

Lieutenant W. P. Meldrum, R.N., who has been appointed as Chevalier of the Legion of Honour, is a member of the Executive Council of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, and an officer in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Ocean Services (Limited).

Mr. J. A. Wilson, a black fox exporter of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, recently arrived at Yokohama on the Africa Maru with a crate containing 14 black foxes of an especially rare variety. These animals are worth \$2,500 a pair and are on their way to Kabafuto Island (northern Japan) where they are to form the nucleus of a black fox farm. Mr. Wilson also brought 3 mink and a mink farm will also be begun.

The "Colombia," P.M. S.S. Co., arrived in port yesterday afternoon from San Francisco, via Shanghai and Manila. A remarkable trip is reported, inasmuch as there was not one case of influenza aboard the whole trip. A ship recently arriving here had had eighteen deaths from influenza en route from San Francisco. There were three deaths on this trip of the "Colombia," one from old age, the other two from other causes. The "Colombia" will leave here for the return trip to America on the 28th of February.

"Shipping and Engineering" records the death, at the Shanghai Hospital on February 8, of Mr. F. B. Shea-Lawlor, chief officer of the China Merchants' s.s. *Kunghing*. Mr. Lawlor, who was 51 years of age, had been in poor health for nearly a year, having undergone a serious operation in Singapore while serving in the South with his ship and was invalided to Shanghai. He was in command of Messrs. Bradley's s.s. *Nanshan* for some time, losing her in the Hainan Straits after which he served in the Indo-China S.N. Co. and later joined the China Merchants. He was the author of a book on Star Finding in Cloudy Weather, by means of the bearing and altitude and had contributed several papers to current navigation.

BILLIARDS.

THE SOLDIERS' CLUB CUP.

STAFF & DEPTS. WIN FINAL.

To general surprise the Soldiers' Club Cup this year has been won by the Staff & Departments. This trophy had been booked for the Manchester Regt. Starting last night with a lead of 24 points, the Staff & Depts. first player was Staff Sergeant Gibbons, and he was opposed by Captain Goods. The Staff expected to lose this match and they did by 37, their leading being reduced to 27. The next pair were Staff Sergeant Stanley and C.S.M. Keenan, Manchester. Excitement was intense now. Both players did their best, Keenan scoring a 27 break that looked promising. Stanley played the more consistently and won by 38, restoring the lead to 65. The last pair were Sergeant-Major Sainsbury, Staff, and Co. Sergeant-Major Goodman, Manchester. On this pair depended the destination of the cup. Goodman's reputation is well known. With a deficit of 65 the Manchester fully expected Goodman to make this good. Sainsbury, however, played so well that the issue was soon placed beyond doubt, the Staff man losing at the finish by only 10 points. The Staff & Departments thus win the trophy by 46 points. There was a large crowd at the final and plenty of enthusiasm. The best breaks last night were: Sainsbury, 29, 17, 16, 16, Goodman, 29, 17, 16, 16, Keenan, 27, Captain Goods, 10. Staff Sergeant Stanley, 13. Final scores:—

MANCHESTERS	
Sgt. Hall	144
Drummond Hooper	109
Sgt. Burrell	200
Lt.-Col. Harvey	200
Sgt. Bird	200
Capt. Goods	200
C.S.M. Keenan	162
C.S.M. Goodman	200
	1415

STAFF AND DEPARTMENTS	
Staff Sgt. Sheratt	200
Sgt. M.S. Sheriff	200
Staff Sgt. Stone	184
Capt. Lammert	170
Staff Sgt. Lyth	163
Staff Sgt. Gibbons	163
Staff Sgt. Stanley	200
S.M. Sainsbury	181
	1461

HONGKONG CHAMPIONSHIP.

At the V.R.C. last night, Tai Ming Tak just managed to beat S. P. Law by four points. The game was not by any means close, but it was really so close as that indicates. Mr. Law was leading by 100 at the 900 mark, and then went to pieces, his opponent plodding along and scoring at every visit. Mr. Law's best breaks were 44 and 41. Mr. Tak's was a 30.

CRICKET.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

With three league and one friendly match down for disposal to-morrow, there will be no lack of choice for those who like to see a cricket match. The leaders, R.G.A., Crutiger and Civil Service are all engaged. If the Civil Service gamut the two points to-morrow their chances of the championship will be rosy. At the same time another win against Crutiger will enhance the prospects of the R.G.A.

Two of the lower placed meet, Royal Engineers and Royal Navy, and on paper the R.E.'s team appears strong. They have just been strengthened by the inclusion of Major Taylor, a new arrival.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

C.R.C. v. Civil Service. On the C.R.C. ground at 2.15.
Crutiger v. R.G.A. On the Crutiger ground at 2.15.
Navy v. Royal Engineers. At Happy Valley at 2.15 p.m.

FRIENDLY MATCH.

University v. Indian R.C. On the University ground at 2.45.

SELECTED TEAMS.

C.R.C.—Ng Sze Kwong (captain), Yew Man Tsun, Geo. Lee, E. Ching, Un Hwa Fan, James Wong, Sin Man Ping, Chow Yat Cheong, Wong Po Keung, C. F. Lee and Cheung Wing Kui.

R.G.A.—Lieuts. Sutherland, Colman and Torr, Sergeant Athorne, Talford and Drummond, Corp. Mann, Bomb. Sharma, Baines, Middleton and Sharp.
Crutiger v. R.G.A.—R. Bass (captain), F. Thompson, T. Ford, G. Manly, W. Hall, A. Arculli, U. Omar, L. Lammert, M. Abbas, S. Jax, A. Goldenberg.

Royal Engineers.—Lt.-Col. Colles, Major Taylor, Capt. Wall, Lieut. Raworth, Sgt. Heats, Cpl. Pascall, S. M. Jewsbury, 2nd Cpl. Waller, Lee-Cpl. Feakes, Lee-Cpl. Lawrence, Spr. Purnell.

Indian R.C.—A. H. Ramjahn, G. C. Eard, S. H. Ismail, A. A. Rumi, John, S. D. Ismail, A. L. Andrew, S. A. Ismail, E. Moosdeen, N. M. Bui, J. D. Noris, B. Nazarin.

FOOTBALL.

SHIELD SEMI-FINAL.

To-morrow football interest will be mainly directed to the Hongkong Shield semi-final. The question of which will fight out the final with the Chinese is a difficult one to answer.

A glance at the Club's team will show that the changes are designed to meet the full strength of the Navy. The backs and half-backs were all that could be desired, and there is no change in these departments. There are changes at forward. Taylor goes out and Jennings remains in reserve, and a more experienced and better player substituted is at outside left.

The Navy have a good team selected and are confident of the result. Have they not their Moiven to score the goals to win? A new centre half appears, and the team is a capable and tried organisation. A capital game is assured.

There are two 2nd Division League matches on the fixture list. The Staff and Depts. ought to go into 2nd League place, with two points from the weak 83rd Co. R.G.A. team. 87th Co. R.G.A. and South China Reserves will be a close contest.

Matches, venue, and selected teams follow:—

SEMI-FINAL H.K. SHIELD.

Hongkong F.C. v. Navy. On the Club ground at 4.15 p.m. Referee, Mr. Stevenson.

2ND DIV. H.K. LEAGUE.

87th Co. R.G.A. v. South China Athletic Reserves. On the Navy ground at 3 p.m.

Staff & Depts. v. 83rd Co. R.G.A. On the Military ground at 3 p.m.

SELECTED TEAMS.

H.K.F.C.—G. Rodgers; F. W. Black, J. McChubb; T. R. Chas. Seels, J. Stewart, J. D. Carriere; A. H. Clark, B. Pascoe, D. Reichelmann; H. McTavish, E. Bliss.

Navy.—Crocker, Warren, Parker, Fowler, Chapman, Biggs, Travis, Neal, McIvren, Burton, Goodacre.

MR. RALPHS AND SIBERIA.

Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of English Schools in Hongkong, returned yesterday on the s.s. "Colombia" from Siberia where he has been for the past four months with the British and Allied forces as Assistant Commissioner of the British Red Cross. He has had a busy time but when seen by a "China Mail" representative was looking none the worse for the hard spade work he has done. Like others who have personal knowledge of the difficulties that have to be faced, Mr. Ralphs is full of admiration for the work of the British Patriotic League. This league has been doing military relief work and is working in full co-operation with the British Red Cross.

The latter, says Mr. Ralphs, has now undertaken the entire charge of all the British supplies sent to Siberia. It is satisfactory to learn that all the supplies sent from Hongkong reached the destination. When asked as to what things were required now in Siberia, Mr. Ralphs said that the principal requirements are socks, sweaters, mufflers, shirts, handkerchiefs, towels, shaving soap, toothpaste, vaseline, writing pads and pencils, needles, and thread.

The Czechs and Russians need, in addition to these things, hospital and medical supplies of every description, and warm underclothing.

Mr. Ralphs stated that he understands that the American Railroad Corps has now taken entire charge of the Trans-Siberian Railway in Siberia. This is a thing of the highest importance as it means the former transport difficulties will be removed.

As to how far this will mean the restoration of the civil trains it is hard to say but in any case conditions in Russia are such that it is only the portion of the Trans-Siberian Railway in Russia in Asia which can become anything like normal.

MORE ARMS FOUND.

The Police at Tai O received information that there were arms looking about the locality in the wrong hands, and acting on it they searched a Chinese in Wing On Street, on the island, and found two revolvers and a quantity of ammunition wrapped in a parcel. Certain statements made by him implicated two other Chinese, but as the evidence against them was considered unsatisfactory by the Magistrate, they were released, the arms being confiscated.

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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

STRENGTH.

No. 446 Pte. A. W. Hurlow, "A" Company, is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, dated 1.11.18.

No. 698 Pte. T. G. Turnbull, "D" Company, is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, dated 10.2.19.

No. 139 Spr. P. Anderson, Engineer Company, is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

LEAVE.

Sergeant F. M. Crawford, Artillery Company, is granted nine months' leave, from 1.4.19.

Corpl. A. Bolton, M.G. Coy., is granted two months' extension of leave, from 22.1.19.

Pte. J. C. Owen, M.G. Coy., is granted nine months' leave, from 15.3.19.

Pte. H. E. Smith, "B" Company, is granted three months' extension of leave, from 22.1.19.

Reference Administrative Order No. 8 dated 14.2.19, the leave granted to Pte. L. C. Robinson is six weeks, not six months.

Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY. Friday, Feb. 22.—7.30 a.m. Right Half Company. Full drill, 5.15 p.m. Left Half Company. Full drill.

Orders for Engineer Company, by Captain W. Russell.

Lights will be run at Lyemun on the following dates for firing practice:—5th, 7th and 10th March. N.C.O.s and Sappers as detailed by the C.S.M., other than Talook residents, will parade at Blake Pier at 5 p.m. Launch will return after practice.

Dress:—Drill order. Rifle, bayonet and 20 rounds ammunition. Officers on duty:—5th March, Lieut. Hill and 2nd Lieut. Blackburn; 7th March, Lieut. Brown and Lieut. Marley; 10th March, Lieut. Templeton.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

FULLOCK CUP COMPETITION. The following is the result of the firing for the Fullcock Cup:—

Winners, No. 4 Platoon	8.47	48.3
2 No. 6 Platoon	8.55	45.8
3 No. 8 Platoon	7.73	41.7
4 No. 5 Platoon	7.68	44.8
5 No. 1 Platoon	7.23	40.9
6 No. 7 Platoon	6.88	36.4
7 Signalling Sec.	6.83	38.7
8 No. 2 Platoon	6.23	35.3
9 M.G. Company	5.28	34.1
10 No. 3 Platoon	4.43	27.4
11 Mounted Sec.	3.38	21.7
12 "D" Company	2.50	10.4

The figures in the second column show the percentages of hits to rounds fired.

ANNUAL MUSKETRY COURSE. Sunday, Feb. 23.—7.30 a.m. No. 7 Platoon (N.C.O.s and men who wish to fire at Quarry Bay) at Talook Range. Annual, Musket Course, Part 3, Practice 13, 14 and 10.

G. E. Stewart, Captain, Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps. Hongkong, Feb. 21, 1919.

NOTICE.

A meeting of members of "B" Company interested in the Soldiers' Club Cup for billiards will be held at Defence Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 27th instant, at 6 p.m.

POOR THINGS.

The dispute over the question of the Countess of Dudley's separation allowance has been settled.

The announcement was made on December 19 to Mr. Justice Astbury in the Chancery Division. The action arose out of the domestic differences of the Countess and Earl, and Lord Dudley acknowledged in writing that these troubles were wholly due to his "faults and misconduct."

Under a separation deed of October 28, 1912, Lord Dudley agreed to pay the Countess a "clear annual sum of £9,000," and the point in the action was whether that sum was to be free of income-tax and all other deductions, which the Countess said was the intention of Lord Dudley. It was maintained that the income-tax, which was then trivial, never occurred to either of them, and that they certainly did not contemplate the enormous taxation that had now fallen on the wealthy people of this country.

Mr. Frank Russell, K.C., for the Countess, said negotiations were opened between counsel which had resulted in a settlement. There was no need to trouble the Court with the terms. Mr. Maughan, K.C., for Lord Dudley, said that the settlement was more satisfactory to the parties than if their strict legal rights had been determined.

Mr. Justice Astbury: I am very glad that the parties have been able to settle this unfortunate dispute.

THE DIVINING ROD EXPOSED.

The China Inland Mission Hall was filled to overflowing on Feb. 14 by an expectant and interested audience who attended to witness Dr. J. A. Anderson's demonstration of the use he had made of what is called the divining rod. Among those present were Drs. Bolton, Nield, Patrick, and Chatley, the Rev. W. Bondfield, Mr. W. Whiting, and several detectives of the Shanghai Municipal Police.

The demonstration was opened with a prayer by the lecturer, who then proceeded to explain that he had no special knowledge of the phenomenon, but that the results he had obtained were worthy of more accurate research than he had been able to give, and that he had arranged to give the demonstration with the object of stimulating interest. He himself was quite a novice, but he had experimented with some fifty minerals with what he claimed to be extraordinary results.

The lecturer was then handed six pillboxes by Mr. L. W. Dupre, containing metals 99 per cent. pure. Mr. W. Whiting, who has been experimenting with the rod, placed his hands on the various boxes in succession and walked up and down the room holding a forked willow wand, counting the beats alleged to emanate from each box in succession. Writing down the contents of the boxes, Mr. Whiting then handed his deductions to Dr. Anderson who read them out. They were pronounced by Mr. L. W. Dupre to be all incorrect. The lecturer then admitted that he had been in the habit of experimenting with substances obtained from Chinese shops, which were possibly impure.

The next test was an article folded in paper. This the lecturer demonstrated personally and alleged it to contain tin. It was opened and found to be aluminium, Mr. Dupre, who was referred to, pronouncing it to be an alloy of tin and aluminium. A further test followed with another article, which the lecturer alleged to be tin also, but which, when opened, proved to be a gold cigarette case. Dr. Anderson made a further test of it and pronounced it to contain gold, silver and zinc. He was then handed three jars, one containing butter, one lard, and the third a mixture of the two. Unfortunately, in this test there was some question of mistaken identity and in the absence of proved scientific methods the result is open to doubt.

Dr. Patrick then produced a baby and stated that it had swallowed a piece of metal. The lecturer endeavoured to find out its composition, which he stated after experiment to be mica; but explained that the child's clothing contained buttons which interfered with the correct determination of the substance in question. He remarked that it was an experiment that should be made in a hospital with the patient naked, and offered to divine the nature of the substance this morning at Shantung Road Hospital.

Mr. Dupre thanked the lecturer for the demonstrations given, and pointed out the difficulty of demonstrating before an audience, owing to the many distracting elements. He thought there might be possibilities in Dr. Anderson's thesis.

Dr. Chatley also spoke, warning experimenters that the element of self-deception must be carefully eliminated, and remarking that one must not be influenced by a predisposition to perform the movements unconsciously, the only test that could stand being the accurate determination of unknown elements.

The claim of the divining rod is therefore "not proven." [Surely, in this case, it was clearly disproved.—Ed. C. M.]

NATIONALIZATION OR ELECTION TALK?

Lloyd's Bank monthly report says: Amongst other items of industrial reform forehanded by Mr. Lloyd George at the opening of the Coalition Election campaign, are two of very great importance for the future of the country. The first is the problem of transportation, left, said the Prime Minister, very largely to chance—railway, canal, road, tramways—all vital to the life, the industries, the amenities of the people of this country. Mr. Lloyd George was not very definite on the matter. He said that the problem must be taken in hand under the direct inspiration and control of the State. Our railways and tramways have already been subject to some form or other of State control, and, apparently the Prime Minister means to extend the control. It would be interesting to know whether he has in mind by "direct inspiration and control," the nationalisation of the systems. The other problem that has to be taken in hand is the question of electric power, rightly described as necessary to industry and comfort. It would scarcely be going too far, we think, to describe the most imperative necessity the country has to face, and if the report of the Special Committee is to be taken, as the basis of legislation, it will be realised that a practical revolution will be effected in the industry of the country.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

"URSULA" PRIZE.

The third of the series of races for the above prize was sailed off on Wednesday evening last in a fresh Easterly breeze over the following course—Start from Murray Pier; Cust Rock (S), Kowloon Rock (S), Mayers East Buoy (P), Distance: 4.8 miles. The race resulted as follows—

Yacht.	Handicap on Course.	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
Alisa	Scratch	6:04.10	6:04.10
Bonita	"	6:08.35	6:08.35
Daphne	"	6:06.09	6:06.09
Halcyon	"	D.N.S.	
Ursula	224	D.N.S.	
Dawn	"	6:09.01	6:06.37
Lysbeth	"	6:05.53	6:03.29
Liza	"	D.N.S.	
Owl	"	6:19.11	6:16.47
Gael	2.48	6:09.42	6:06.54
Thecla	"	6:14.23	6:11.35
Ashore	3.36	6:22.13	6:18.37
Position.	Points for race.	Points to date.	
(1) Lysbeth	16	27	
(2) Alisa	14	39	
(3) Daphne	13	43	
(4) Dawn	12	38	
(5) Gael	11	34	
(6) Bonita	10	37	
(7) Thecla	9	17	
(8) Owl	7	27	
(9) Ashore	7	14	
— Liza	—	9	
— Halcyon	—	—	
— Ursula	—	—	

The result of the third of the series of Club Championship Races for the Cruiser Classes was decided last Sunday with the following results.

Course—Hongkong Island (S); distance, 24 miles.

CHINESE RIG.

Yachts.	Handicap on Course.	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
Lady Jean	Scratch	D.N.S.	
Oenone	"	9:38.41	9:38.41
Niobe	"	8:00	8:56.40
Dorothy	12.00	8:56.43	8:44.48
Helen	12.00	D.N.S.	
Position.	Points for race.	Points to date.	
(1) Dorothy	6	15	
(2) Niobe	4	12	
(3) Oenone	3	12	
— Lady Jean	—	—	
— Helen	—	—	

ENGLISH RIG.

Yacht.	Handicap on Course.	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
La Cigale	Scratch	D.N.S.	
Vesper	"	24.00	D.N.F.
Vera	"	38.00	D.N.S.
Feathers	"	44.00	D.N.S.
Irene	"	36.00	8:55.55
Norseman	"	36.00	8:29.34
Queen Bee	"	56.00	D.N.S.
Mist	"	60.00	D.N.S.
Position.	Points for race.	Points to date.	
(1) Norseman	9	22	
(2) Irene	7	25	
(3) Vera	7	12	
(4) Feathers	7	9	
(5) Mist	7	9	
(6) Queen Bee	7	4	
(7) La Cigale	7	—	
(8) Vesper	7	—	

UNITED SERVICE HOCKEY LEAGUE.

LIST OF FIXTURES FOR SEASON 1918.

Jan: 29th. Staff and Depts. v. 83rd Coy: R.G.A.
 Feb: 21st. S and D. v. H.K.D.C.
 Feb: 27th. 88th Coy: R.G.A. v. 83rd Coy: R.G.A.
 March 5th. S and D. v. 88th Coy: R.G.A.
 March 6th. H.K.D.C. v. 83rd Coy: R.G.A.
 March 12th. 83rd Coy: R.G.A. v. S and D.
 March 13th. H.K.D.C. v. 88th Coy: R.G.A.
 March 19th. H.K.D.C. v. S and D.
 March 20th. 83rd Coy: R.G.A. v. 88th Coy: R.G.A.
 March 26th. 88th Coy: R.G.A. v. S and D.
 March 27th. 83rd Coy: R.G.A. v. H.K.D.C.
 March 31st. 88th Coy: R.G.A. v. H.K.D.C.

HONGKONG ROPES.

The Consulting Committee and General Managers of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$1.00 per share.

A bonus of \$1.00 per share	\$60,000
Putting to Reserve Fund	60,000
And to Depreciation Account	70,000
And carrying forward	50,970.43
And in addition a bonus of \$5.00 per share from the Reserve Fund	300,000

LABOUR AND OXFORD.

INTERVIEW WITH PRINCIPAL OF RUSKIN COLLEGE.

"I think the object in contesting the University seats," said Mr. Sanderson Furniss, Principal of the Ruskin College, who was Labour candidate for Oxford University, to a "Daily News" representative recently, "is to show the interest of the Labour movement in education, and to assert its right to representation of the University constituencies."

"There has been a great change in the last two years at Oxford, especially among the younger members—and I should not be surprised to find the same at Cambridge—in the attitude to Labour questions. Branches of the Fabian Society have done a great deal to spread an interest in Labour questions and in Socialism generally."

"My own belief is that there are many people in the Universities who share the Labour view on education, and who sympathize with the Labour demand that the Universities should be made accessible to anyone who desires to acquire an educational standard without reference to his, or her class or income."

"The same view holds good, I believe, in regard to social reconstruction as expressed in the Labour programme, 'Labour and the New Social Order.' Since the Labour Party decided to break from the Coalition there has been a much clearer cleavage between the two points of view. The Labour programme, it seems to me, is much clearer and more definite than anything the Prime Minister has put forward up to the present."

"I am securing a good deal of support from rather unexpected quarters, more particularly from the clergy and from the women."

"This is the first contested election at Oxford since 1883 and the first time Labour has entered a contest here. Convocation claims about 6,600 votes, and the new Act rendered possible an increase in the University of 16,000 voters, but owing to the fact being insufficiently made known to the absence of many men at the front, and to a charge of £1 as a registration fee, only some 1,300, including 400 women, had been added to the electoral roll. Proportional representation will make the election additionally interesting, but it is difficult to predict how the experiment will work out."

POISON GAS MARTYRS.

Of the deeds of self-sacrifice on the home front "none is more noteworthy than those of the small band of officers and N.C.O.s of the Royal Engineers—mostly chemists—who risked death by slow poisoning in their experiments to ensure that our troops should be equipped to withstand and beat German gas."

Lieut.-Col. Edward Frank Harrison, C.M.G., head of the department, who died recently, was warned repeatedly that unless he gave up the work he could not live 12 months. He refused. From 8 a.m. till 10 or 11 p.m. throughout the week, including Sundays, he was at his post. All the while he was absorbing gas in his experiments, and his lungs were becoming impregnated. When influenza seized him he had not the strength to beat it off.

His staff shared the risks with him. The officers and N.C.O.s who had to test the effects of every kind of gas and every type of protective mask went day after day into sealed chambers containing concentrations of the gas. In the early days particularly, when about 15 men were engaged in this work in London and 20 in France, they never knew what the result would be.

All were poisoned in some degree, for sometimes a mask that appeared in theory to be perfect failed in this practical test, and the men had to get out of the gas chamber as best they could. At times they remained in these sealed chambers for hours ascertaining the relative merits of masks.

The Germans introduced poison gas on April 22, 1915, at Ypres. For eight months they used chlorine. Then they added phosgene, making a much more deadly combination. But by this time anything they might do had been anticipated and allowed for by the chemists of the Royal Engineers.

They had tested every gas and found the antidote. The cotton waste pad, known as the "black veil" respirator, had been succeeded by the hypo-helmet, and the latter in turn by the flannel helmet, with a chemical impregnation giving protection against phosgene.

This helmet was introduced in August 1915—four months before the Germans used phosgene—and from that time Britain was always six months ahead of Germany in gas defensive and offensive preparations. Early in 1916 the large box respirator was supplied to specialist troops such as machine gunners and six months later the small box respirator was distributed to all troops. Of these respirators, 20,000,000 were made. Italy asked for them, and all her troops were supplied within two months. The result was that in the big attack in June, when the Austrians crossed the Piave and fired hundreds of thousands of gas shells, the Italians had only 2 men killed by gas.

THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PACIFIC.

During the course of the past fifty years the progress that Japan has made in the adoption of Western methods and ideas is very notable.

The development of her many industries and the huge navy and mercantile marine she has built, gives us but a slight indication of what to expect from Japan in the progress she is making. A study of the Far Eastern policy, as adopted and carried out by Japan, presents many features which, in themselves, are highly complicated. The lending to China of huge sums of money and her demands for certain South Sea Islands can have behind it all, but one aim and ambition.

To be absolute dictator on the Pacific has been the dream of many countries in the past and Japan appears to be making a bold bid for this coveted position. But before she can hope to see her ambitions realized, it is necessary for her to exert, in part, great control of China.

This, of course, would mean to Japan practically absolute control of the Far East and when this is assured part of her programme has been accomplished.

It is quite well known that enmity of a kind exists between Japan and China. This has been demonstrated even during the past few years. Why then should Japan take such a great interest in the affairs which concern China?

Undoubtedly Japan is the one to benefit by the gaining of greater influence in political circles and government departments. By force of arms Japan cannot achieve her policy in China since the inevitable interference of the European Powers makes this impossible, so another policy has to be adopted and put into execution. The policy is now being carried out quietly and unostentatiously, and its ultimate achievement is a matter easy to foresee were the Western Powers and the United States content to let the prize slip from them.

The building by America of a huge mercantile marine must eventually be the cause of shattering Japan's present domination of the ocean commerce of the Pacific for, with a fleet of American-owned vessels operating on the Pacific, Japan must make great exertions if she is to hold her present position in the carriage of commerce; yet Japan's programme in China, if successful, must in many ways help on her shipping prospects of the future.

The question of the Caroline Islands and other pre-war German possessions in the South Seas, which Japan proposes to retain, has already attracted public notice and Australia has raised great objections to this. A security of a large scale chart of the Pacific makes it at once clear how valuable these islands would be to Japan both from a commercial point and in time of war.

This question of occupation it is to be hoped will be settled in a satisfactory manner at the Peace Conference in Europe and indications point to a settlement that will be disappointing to Japan.

Up to the present the Japanese programme has in every way been most successful but her future plans are vast in the extreme, extending as they do over the mighty bosom of the Pacific and embracing a commercial control in Eastern waters and internal China, hitherto undreamed of.

When we consider Japan's present influential sway in China and the vastness of her resources, built up as a result of the war, the position of dictator on the Pacific and control of Far Eastern affairs appears to be well within her reach.

The battle for commercial predominance is one, however, in which both Great Britain and America are keenly interested and the struggle for supremacy cannot but be to the benefit of China which will profit by the expansion and increased facilities for trade brought about by such competition.—Shipping & Engineering.

A Cantonese went for a foreign meal when the electric lights happened to be very bad. He alleges that it was this, and not inexperience, which caused him to stab himself in the nose with the fork. According to the "Canton Times" he is suing the Restaurant keeper.

About 2000 shareholders in the Yuch-Han railway met yesterday, to consider whether to turn the management over to a syndicate. Apparently the representative of the Ministry of Communications told them this meeting was illegal. Whereupon the meeting was sharply divided, chairs were thrown, and a fight occurred. When the Police got it stopped, the meeting dispersed with no business done. The "Canton Times" says another effort will be made.

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INDUSTRIAL FUTURE OF WOMEN.

In commenting on the Prime Minister's reply to the Memorial of the Women's Industrial League, "Engineering" says that on the whole it is likely to be approved by engineers who have had experience of women's work under proper conditions of training and employment.

That the memorialists should themselves have disclaimed any objection to women being postponed in employment to discharged service men and to the all-round skilled men by whom they have been taught is evidence of a reasonable attitude on which those who have framed their appeal are sincerely to be congratulated. In particular their deference to the all-round tradesmen who have taught them will be appreciated by those who know at what sacrifice these really skilled men, contrasted with mere machine operators, have devoted themselves to the higher branches of their trade and have abstained from the rich piece-work jobs that the machine operators have enjoyed.

It may be hoped that Mr. Lloyd George's candid statement of the position may do something towards a rational settlement between the Government and the trade unions. No one can justify disregard by a Government of its pledges to any class; and even in the case of the Treasury agreement it would be highly regrettable if it were found to have been avoided by the fact that the consideration for which it was given—the suspension of all restrictions on employment and output for the purposes and period of the war—had never been performed. The agreement is, indeed, unfortunate from the point of view of the country and most of all of its workers because, if the rights that it undertook to restore were in fact exercised, they would be a Pandora's box of disaster to the aggregate body of workers, and before long even to the classes in whose interest they had been asserted. From the point of view of the unions it is scarcely more satisfactory. It restores restrictive customs only in the shops and to the extent in and to which they prevailed before the war. The large numbers of mixed and non-union shops that existed before the war, together with the great new shops and industries that have sprung up during the war and whatever fresh shops may hereafter be opened, will offer unrestricted employment to workers of all kinds. The restoration of these customs for which the Treasury agreement provides could satisfy neither the interests of the country and its industries, nor the claims, in this respect diametrically opposed to national and industrial interests, of the trade unions themselves.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, February 27, 1919, UNTIL TUESDAY, March 4, 1919, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, Feb. 21, 1919.

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New York via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, San Francisco & Panama Canal		
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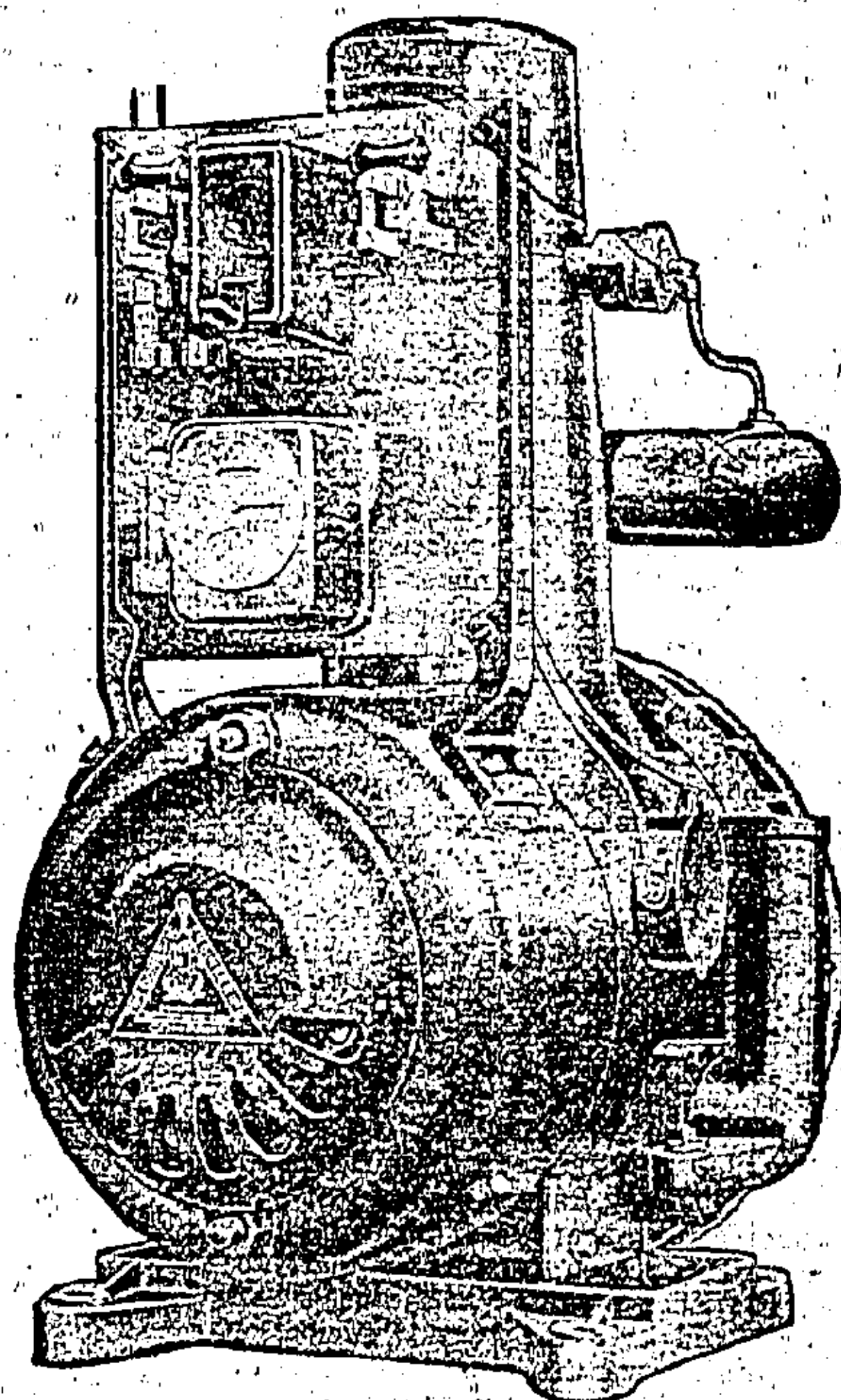
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San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Columbia	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 24th April
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Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Africa Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 27th Feb.
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Australian Ports via Manila	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Co., Ltd.	On 13th March
Australian Ports via Japan	Tango Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 26th Mar., at 11 a.m.
Australian Ports via Japan	Yokohama Maru	Toyoko Kisen Kaisha	On 27th March
Japan	Seiyu Maru	Toyoko Kisen Kaisha	On 21st March
Shanghai	Borneo Maru	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 10th March
Shanghai	Wesang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 27th Feb., at 11 a.m.
Shanghai	Yingchow	Butterfield & Swire	On 22nd Feb., at 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Sinkiang	Butterfield & Swire	On 23rd Feb. at Noon
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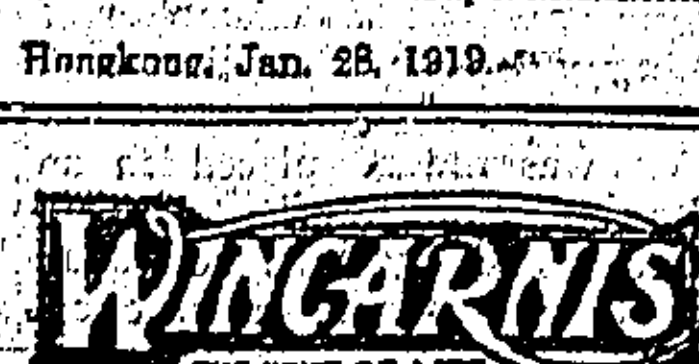
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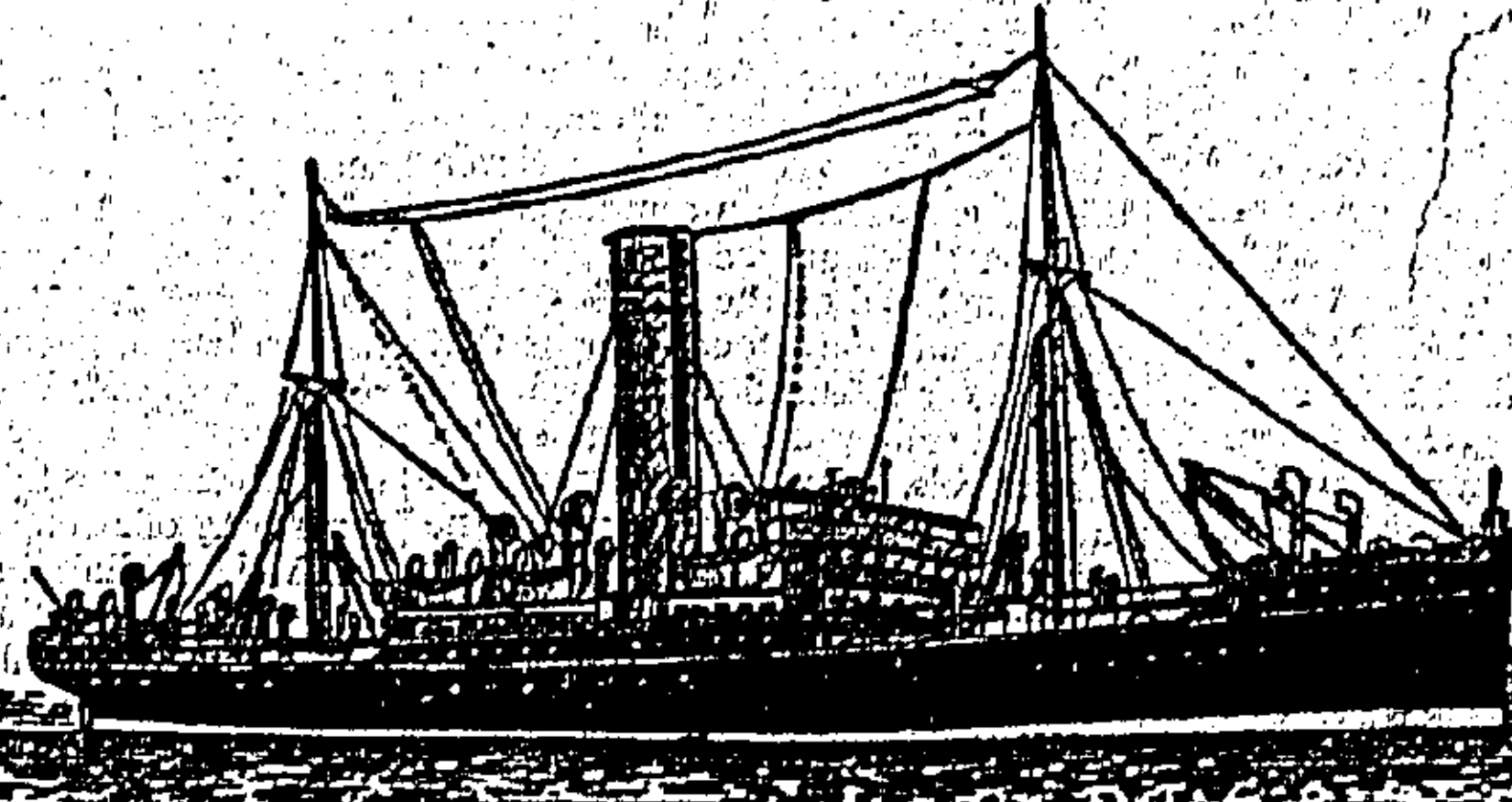
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S.S. AUTOLYCUS

LONDON, Dec. 17.

AN APATHETIC ELECTORATE

Some of the women were under the impression they could leave their votes anywhere. "Can't I vote here?" I heard a woman ask as she entered a committee room of one of the parties. In another case a woman went to the wrong polling booth. "No," said the presiding officer, "you must go to the Bluff Street schools for your vote. It is not in this ward. And you had better look sharp, for the time is nearly up." "Votes for women!"

DRUGS AND DOPERS.

A "PEACE" ARMY.

read novels, play cards or sew a
knit. Surely Lord Rosebery put
something accurately during the Bo
War. "We usually muddle through
somehow."

KING CHARLES REAPPEARS
The statue of King Charles on
charges that looks down White
from Trafalgar Square, has be
unseated and exposed to the daily
once more. Adherents of the Stu
line and a few still exist.

COMMERCIAL FLYING.

LIVELY BLUEJACKETS.

they stand, for they are to take in a competition in Paris on courts against F. L. Risleley Heath. Risleley is a fine player the Doherty era, but has not taken prominent part of late years." F. M. understand, is a New Zealander, and is a nominee for the Davis Cup competition.

DANGER OF MILITARISM

the Government at that time.

part could not pose as a champion of freedom and an enemy of imperialism. Japan would have good reason to believe that she was indeed placed in an "embarrassing position."

By fear and by intrigue exercises over China a suzerainty.

position of the present Government will be strengthened and will fulfill its pledges to the people. Even if they be declared void, through not being carried out, they would still be carried out by this Government, which is utterly under the dominion of Japan. All this explains why the Government is anxious to retain the administration.

No criticism is intended against Hsu Shu-chiang, whose conception of duty and sense of responsibility go far beyond all praise. This is intended to show that the Government is not on military and military force, is not on money derived from the country. That problem faced if peace is to be in China. To be solved, there must be stated.

New York Jan 2.

The public wants to see a weight division with an all-around goodness champion at the top, have a real lightweight champion, these two divisions are the favorite with the "fans." - Detroit Willard in twenty rounds will be a house as large as that of Jeffries at Reno.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMAN SITUATION.

LONDON, February 18th. A message from Berlin says the situation in Germany is daily becoming more precarious owing to the great activity of the Spartacists.

A general strike has now broken out in the Ruhr region. The strikers at Essen have declared that not a single ton of coal shall be given as present to the Government, and the strike will be continued until the socialisation of the Ruhr mining industry takes place, and the Government troops are recalled.

The Spartacists are directing the entire movement. Alarming reports from Weimar state that the Post Office there is controlled by the military, and troops are held in readiness.

A strike of employees at the large works in Berlin is assuming large proportions, over sixty thousand have struck, and it is expected that Berlin will be a ghost town shortly.

Cable reports state that the Spartacists have suppressed the newspapers in the Ruhr region, while armed Spartacists from Essen, Düsseldorf and other places are pouring in to Düsseldorf, which is apparently the centre of the movement.

COPENHAGEN, February 17th. A message from Weimar states:—The *Frankfurter Zeitung* states that Count Brockdorff von Rantzenau has resigned.

BALE, February 18th. The *Frankfurter Zeitung* states that Count von Rantzenau, resigned after the signature of the Armistice. The Government asked him to remain.

AMSTERDAM, February 18th. Meetings continue to be held throughout the city of the German colonies and the release of prisoners.

Herr Erzberger sent a long communication to Marshal Foch, relating to the disposal of the *Entente*, unless agreements were reached, assuring Germany's food supply and safeguarding German crops.

RHINELAND.

LONDON, February 17th. In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Quest, for Mr. Winston Churchill, stated that the Allies were considering the question of the Rhineland, which was recoverable from Germany under the armistice terms.

ARMISTICE TERMS.

PARIS, February 18th. The Armistice Commissioners are discussing the quota of troops which Germany can be allowed to retain and to which she must immediately reduce her establishments.

The reduction of men and war material must be accompanied by a corresponding reduction of Germany's capacity to produce guns and munitions, which will entail the destruction or transformation of a certain proportion of her armament factories. The Allies also intend to forbid Germany to keep troops in certain German provinces.

The French case, regarding the left bank of the Rhine and the majority of France's eastern frontier, might thus be met.

PARIS, February 17th. The Armistice discussions will be resumed on February 18th when Marshal Foch returns from Treves.

It is almost certain that the final naval peace terms will include the complete destruction of the fortifications of Heligoland and the Kiel Canal, opening the latter to ordinary traffic and leaving Germany with a navy only sufficient for defensive purposes.

INHUMANITY TO POLES.

PARIS, February 17th. The Polish Foreign Minister acquainted the Allies with the results of the treatment of the first batch of repatriated Polish deportees, comprising 25,000 men and women and 650 children, who were conveyed to the Polish frontier by day and night, in open trucks, in twenty-one degrees of frost, causing the death of fifty-six children. While they were at the frontier stations the Germans robbed their money, foot-wear and extra clothing and detained men of fifteen to thirty-five years.

AUSTRIA.

COPENHAGEN, February 17th. A message from Vienna, dated February 17th, states that the result of the elections of the National Assembly, so far, were:—Social Democrats, 31; Christian Socialists, 11; German Nationalists, 2; Burgeois, 1; Democrats, 1; Czech, 1; Jewish National, 1.

Six women were also elected.

THE INFLUENZA SCOURGE.

LONDON, February 17th. Influenza is spreading rapidly. In Edinburgh last week, 138 deaths occurred through influenza, of which 90 developed pneumonia.

In Glasgow there were 203 fatal cases. The authorities state that the epidemic is of a much worse type than the previous outbreak.

At Newcastle there were 94 deaths compared with 43 in the previous week.

ALARMING STATE OF AFFAIRS IN AUSTRALIA.

A message from Sydney states that influenza is paralyzing business throughout the Commonwealth. Fifty thousand have been rendered workless. The streets in Melbourne and Sydney are deserted. Melbourne hospitals are unable to take any more patients.

M.P.S AND DOMINIONS.

A meeting of members of the House of Commons, specially interested in the Dominions, decided to form an Overseas Parliamentary Committee with Mr. Newton Kinloch Cooke as Secretary.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LABOUR.

LONDON, February 18th. Work will be resumed in Glasgow on Thursday, the men accepting the employers' terms for a forty-seven-hour week, pending a national settlement.

Work is being resumed in Belfast.

LONDON, February 18th. The Ministry of Labour announced that the Government is calling a National Industrial Conference on February 27th, at the Central Hall, Westminster, and at the same time the purpose is to provide an opportunity for members of the Government to meet representatives of the industries of the country in order to discuss the prevalent industrial unrest, and obtain the views of employers and work people on the subject.

Invitations are being issued widely with a view to making the Conference fully representative of the industrial community.

BOATS DUE TO ARRIVE AND DEPART.

VESSELS DUE TO ARRIVE.

FEBRUARY 21.
SADQ MARU, N.Y.K., from Japan, with mail.

FEBRUARY 22.
NORE, P. and O., from Yokohama.

FEBRUARY 23.
IYO MARU, N.Y.K., from London, with mail.

FEBRUARY 25.
ELPENOR, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 26.
SHINYO MARU, T.K.K., from San Francisco, with mail.

FEBRUARY 28.
AGAPENOR, B. and S., from Liverpool.

MARCH 2.
RIOJUN MARU, D. & Co., from Japan, with mail.

MARCH 3.
FUSHIMI MARU, N.Y.K., from Seattle, with mail.

MARCH 8.
ANYO MARU, T.K.K., from Valparaiso.

MARCH 10.
LAOMEDON, B. and S., from Liverpool.

MARCH 13.
BORNEO MARU, D. & Co., from Java, with mail.

MARCH 15.
EURYLOCHUS, B. and S., from Liverpool.

MARCH 16.
PROTESILAUS, B. and S., from Singapore.

MARCH 19.
NANKING, China Mail, from San Francisco, with mail.

MARCH 19.
TELEMACHUS, B. and S., from Liverpool.

MARCH 23.
PERSIA MARU, T.K.K., from San Francisco, with mail.

MARCH 26.
PELEUS, B. and S., from Liverpool.

MARCH 28.
HOKUTO MARU, D. & Co., from Java.

MARCH 29.
TELAMON, B. and S., from Liverpool.

DEPARTING VESSELS.

FEBRUARY 21.
TANGO MARU, N.Y.K., for Nagasaki.

FEBRUARY 22.
MISHIMA MARU, N.Y.K., for London.

FEBRUARY 23.
SADQ MARU, N.Y.K., for Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 24.
TELESIA, B. and S., for London.

FEBRUARY 25.
NORE, P. and O., for London, via Marseilles.

FEBRUARY 26.
IYO MARU, N.Y.K., for Japan.

FEBRUARY 28.
AGAMEMNON, B. and S., for Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 29.
AFRICA MARU, O.S.K., for Victoria.

FEBRUARY 30.
ELPENOR, B. and S., for Japan, via Shanghai.

FEBRUARY 31.
COLOMBIA, Pacific Mail, for San Francisco.

FEBRUARY 32.
DIPANOS, J.C.I.L., for Java.

MARCH 1.
AGAPENOR, B. and S., for Japan, via Shanghai.

MARCH 2.
LAOMEDON, B. and S., for Japan.

MARCH 3.
AFRICA MARU, O.S.K., for Victoria and Vancouver.

MARCH 5.
RIOJUN MARU, D. & Co., for Java.

MARCH 6.
SEINYO MARU, T.K.K., for San Francisco.

MARCH 11.
HYSON, B. and S., for London.

MARCH 12.
ATREUS, B. and S., for Liverpool.

MARCH 13.
BORNEO MARU, D. & Co., for Japan.

MARCH 14.
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, Canadian Pacific, for Vancouver.

MARCH 15.
EURYLOCHUS, B. and S., for Japan via Shanghai.

MARCH 17.
CHICAGO MARU, O.S.K., for Victoria and Vancouver.

MARCH 20.
TELEMACHUS, B. and S., for Japan via Shanghai.

MARCH 21.
ANYO MARU, T.K.K., for South America.

MARCH 22.
FUSHIMI MARU, N.Y.K., for Seattle.

MARCH 24.
PELEUS, B. and S., for Japan via Shanghai.

MARCH 25.
FYRHUS, B. and S., for London.

MARCH 27.
NANKING, China Mail, for San Francisco.

MARCH 28.
PERSIA MARU, T.K.K., for San Francisco.

MARCH 29.
HOKUTO MARU, D. & Co., for Japan.

MARCH 30.
PROTESILAUS, B. and S., for Seattle.

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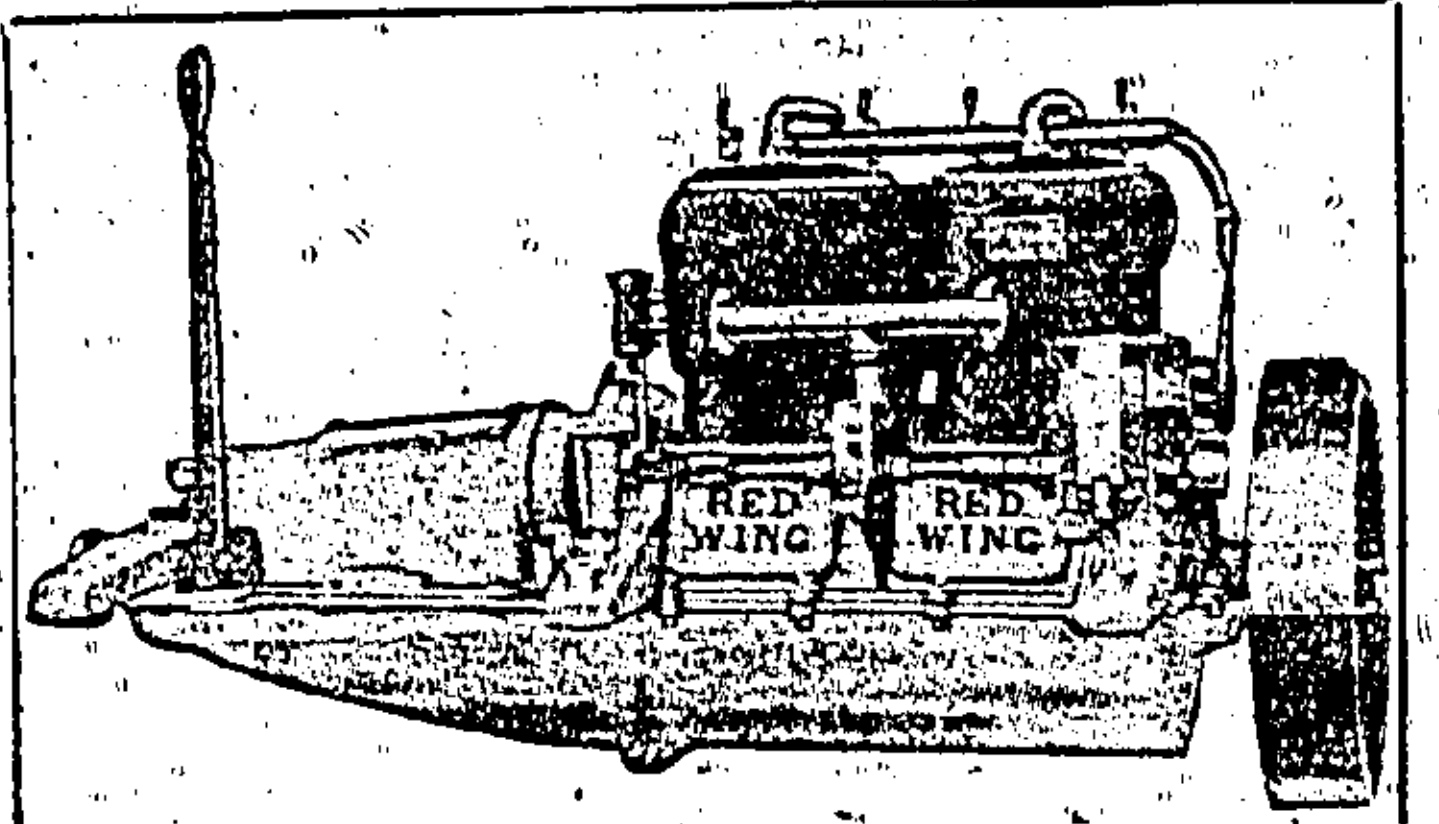
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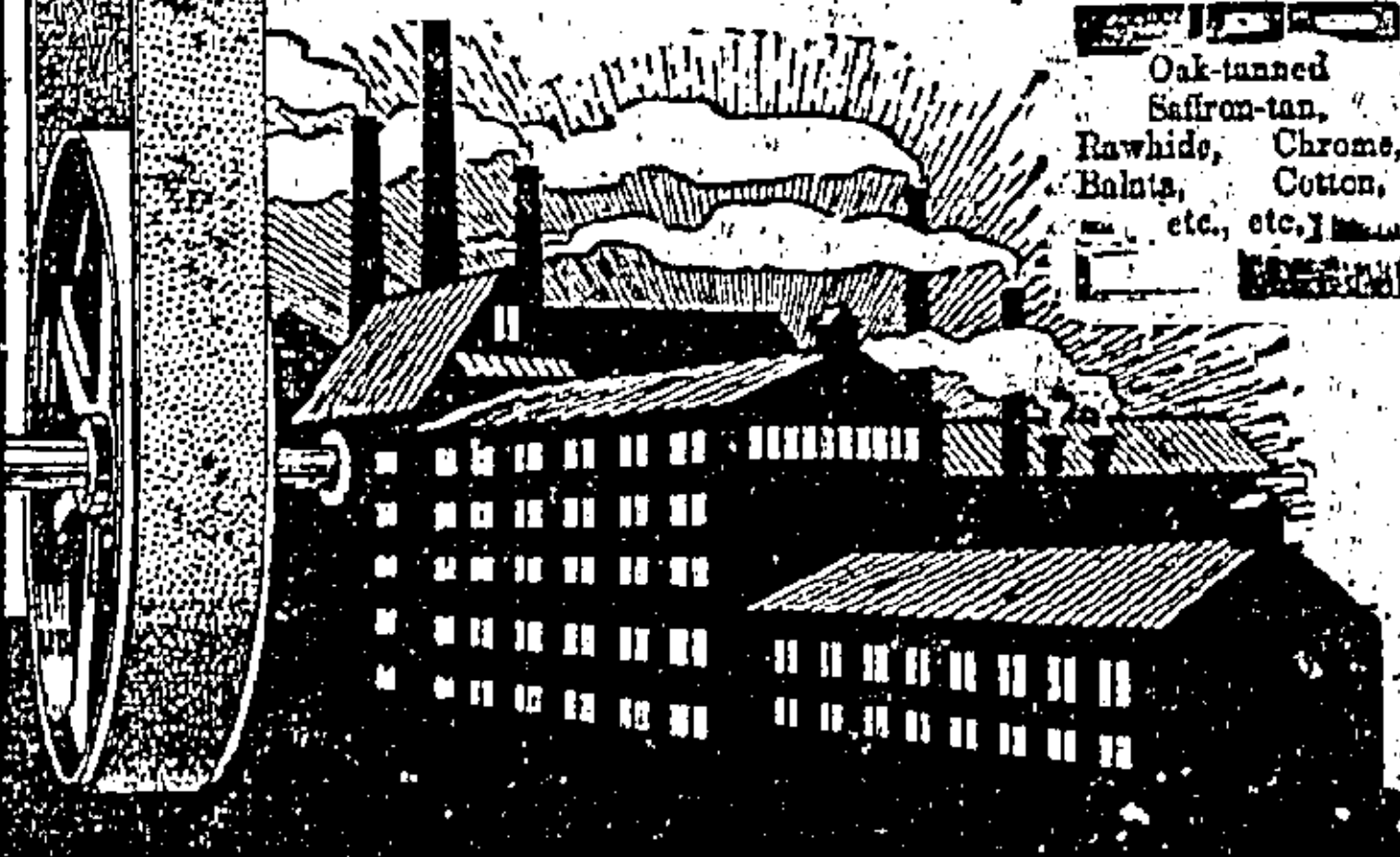
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He was in the service of the China Merchants' thenceforward until his retirement two years ago. He was a Past Master of the Cosmopolitan Lodge of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

At the funeral there was a large attendance, which included several representatives of the China Merchants' S.N. Co. and of other shipping companies as well as other sympathizing friends. Capt. Lindstrom leaves a daughter, Mrs. J. H. Richards, and two sons, Messrs. Eric and John Lindstrom.

The flags of all the vessels of the China Merchants' fleet in harbour were flown at half mast on Feb. 13 as a token of respect to the deceased.

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The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwas or Mohammarah in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

INWARD MAILS.

SATURDAY, February 22.
Japan—Per SADQ MARU.
SUNDAY, February 23.
Japan—Per MISHIMA MARU.
Europe via Negapatam—Per IYO MARU.

OUTWARD MAILS.

SATURDAY, February 22.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per CHILDAH, 9 a.m.
Saigon—Per YUNGSHIN, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India, via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via Suez—Per SADQ MARU, 9 a.m.
Registration 8.45 a.m., Letters 10.30 a.m.
The Parcel Mail will be closed to-day at 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per YINGCHOW, 2 p.m.
Canada, United States, Central and South America, and EUROPE via San Francisco—Per TECUMSEH, Registration 1.45 p.m., Letters 2.30 p.m.
Java and Port Moresby via Batavia—Per RINDJANI, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China—Per CHOYSANG, 5 p.m.
Tientsin—Per CHIESHENG, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per YUSANG, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, February 23.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via Suez—Per SADQ MARU, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO MARU, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, February 24.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per JOSEPH MARU, 9 a.m.
Java and Port Moresby via Batavia—Per TITANAS, 9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via Suez—Per MISHIMA MARU, Registration 8.45 a.m., Letters 9.30 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per IYO MARU, 10 a.m.
Bangkok—Per TITANAS, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via Suez—Per AGAMEMNON, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, February 25.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per LINAN, 9 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per SINKIANG, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa—Per HAIHONG, 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, February 26.
Swatow and Straits—Per TAMING, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America, and EUROPE via San Francisco—Per COLOMBIA, Registration 1.45 p.m., Letters 2.30 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOSHU MARU, 3 p.m.
THURSDAY, February 27.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUIYANG, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, February 28.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa—Per HAITAN, 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per YUENSANG, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, March 1.
Shanghai and North China—Per CHENAN, 2 p.m.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS.

OUTWARD.

For	WEEK-DAYS	SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS
Tai O	10.30 A.M. 10.30 A.M.	10.00 A.M. 10.00 A.M.
Tai Po	10.30 P.M. 11.00 A.M.	11.00 P.M. 11.00 A.M.
Cheung Chow	Saturday 1.00 P.M.	
Shatankok, Shatin, Sheungshan, Shatin, King Shan & Sanying, Aberdeen, Sai Kung and Stanley	4.30 P.M. 11.00 A.M.	
Canton and	7.30 A.M.	6.00 P.M.
Samshui	8.00 P.M.	10.00 A.M.
Wachow	7.15 A.M.	8.15 A.M.
Macao	1.30 P.M.	8.00 P.M.
Kongmoon	8.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Namtau and Sammel	10.00 P.M.	5.00 P.M.
Shamchun	1.00 P.M.	10.00 A.M.

FROM SHUNGUAN WESTERN BRANCH P.O.

For	WEEK-DAYS	SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS
Macao	7.30 A.M. 8.30 A.M.	7.30 A.M. 1.30 P.M.
Canton	7.30 A.M. 8.30 P.M.	7.30 A.M. 8.30 P.M.
Samshui	8.30 P.M.	8.30 P.M.
Tai Poo	8.30 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Tung	8.00 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Shak Ki	8.00 P.M.	9.30 P.M.
Kongmoon	8.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Kunchuk	8.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Kaukeng	8.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.
Wachow	4.00 P.M. 4.00 P.M.	4.00 P.M.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

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FEBRUARY 20, 1919. OTARU MARU, No. 1, Jap., 1,287 tons, from Moji, Capt. Shengza, Sato, C.O. SHUN CHEONG, Chi., 235 tons, from K.C. Wan, Capt. Xayier, Wo Hing, wharf. CHEYUN MARU, Jap., 1,343 tons, from Bangkok, Capt. Fujita, Y.K.E., B.I. YINGCHOW, Brit., 1,218 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Simon, B. & S., C.O. AFRICA MARU, Jap., 5,993 tons, from Manila, Capt. Yamoto, O.S.K., wharf. KAIJO MARU, Jap., 1,128 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Egawa, O.S.K., wharf. TANGO MARU, Jap., 4,260 tons, from Manila, Capt. Nishimura, N.Y.K., Kowloon. CEFOU MARU, Jap., 833 tons, from Bangkok, Capt. Majumdar, Chin Sian, O.I. SHIN FOO, Chi., 1,688 tons, from Saigon, Capt. Hason, Seng Fat Hong, B.I. TECOMSUNG, Brit., 4,347 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Stewart, Tai Kok Sai.	PEAK HOTEL Capt. Allen Major Lacey Major Apthorpe, Major Lucas A.S.O. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Matheson Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Matheson Chair. Rev. R. A. Bunde, Mr. J. Finlay Miller C.F. Capt. T. H. Butler Mrs. Moore Mr. A. J. Carter Capt. Newman Major Carthew Lt.-Col. & Mrs. Thorne Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Major C. J. Scantle Cary Mr. T. L. Perkins Mr. & Mrs. Cochrane Major Patterson Lt.-Col. E. J. Coles Mr. W. E. Roberts Mr. E. J. Coomes Mr. F. J. de Rome Mrs. Coomes Major V. J. Scantle Major Currier Mrs. J. S. Dobie Mrs. Sifford Mrs. J. B. Dobie Mr. and Mrs. John Major Slanian Dunoon Mr. S. Evans, M.B.E. Capt. Spencer Mr. Denham Fuller Mrs. Sven Major Gardner Major & Mrs. Taylor Mrs. F. Goodrich R.E. Capt. Vincent Major Hodges Major & Mrs. Wake Mr. H. du Fon man Major Walker Hutchinson Mr. B. Johnson Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wells Major Kendal

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